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(S) Post has not had the opportunity to persuade the Government of Nepal (GON) to encourage Kazakhstan to announce its candidacy for the Middle East/South Asia (MESA) seat on the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Board of Governors and to engage with other MESA states as per reftel request. The combination of the Nepal presidential election and inauguration, strikes, a public holiday, the absence of Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) personnel to regional conferences, and the physical move of the MFA to another compound has left no MFA official available to receive the demarche. Emboff expects to meet with the Under Secretary for UN and International Organizations on August 6 and at that time will encourage the GON to support Kazakhstan's candidacy.

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